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### **CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

#### **2018 Youth Olympic Games (YOG) – Buenos Aires 6-18 October**

To be eligible to participate in YOG, athletes **must attend and qualify at the ICF 2018 Canoeing World Qualification Competition for YOG – Barcelona, Spain 12-15 April, 2018**. Athletes who qualify for the YOG regarding the IOC eligibility rules, qualification system rules and age category can compete in the YOG Canoeing competition.

Age – To be eligible to participate in the YOG, athletes must have been born between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2002 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2003

#### **Specific Event Information:**

The aim of the competition is for athletes to race each other in kayaks and canoes over the given course in the shortest possible time according to the rules. The competition will require athletes to race a Head to Head sprint race and a Canoe Slalom Obstacle event over a predesigned course in the same category (K1 or C1). The events will be K1 men, C1 Men, K1 women, C1 women. Australia can nominate a maximum of two entries in each of the categories 2 x K1/C1 Men, 2 x K1/C1 Women = total 4 athletes. *\* it should be noted the sprint event is not a traditional straight-line sprint*

For more technical information:

[https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/annex\\_1\\_yog\\_2018\\_technical\\_handbook\\_for\\_csp\\_and\\_csl\\_.pdf](https://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/annex_1_yog_2018_technical_handbook_for_csp_and_csl_.pdf)

#### **BOAT SPECIFICATIONS**

The organisers in Barcelona and Buenos Aires will supply the same type of boats at both the World Qualification Competition in Barcelona and at the Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires. No other types of boats will be allowed at these events.

##### **A. Head to head sprint**

For the “head to head” sprint events the K1 and C1 Vintage boats produced by NELO will be provided in different sizes.

##### **B. Obstacle slalom**

For the Obstacle Slalom events the hybrid type (K1 and C1) “Versatile” slalom boats produced by Polaczyck Co. will be provided in three different sizes.

Expressions of interest should be directed to, David Foureur – National Pathways Lead Canoe Sprint 0401 123 982 prior to **January 15<sup>th</sup>**....

**It should be noted that AC will not be providing funding or staffing to attend the Qualification Event.**